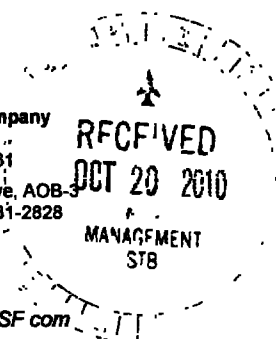




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**RE: STB Docket No. AB-6 (Sub-No. 469X); BNSF Railway Company – Abandonment Exemption – in Pierce County, WA**

Dear Ms. Brown:

BNSF Railway Company (“BNSF”) filed a notice of exemption under 49 CFR 1152 Subpart F - Exempt Abandonments to abandon a 1.56-mile line of railroad between milepost 0.59 and milepost 2.15, in Tacoma, Pierce County, WA.

By decision served October 22, 2009, the Surface Transportation Board (“STB”) granted the exemption authority to abandon effective November 21, 2009. Within that same decision, the STB stated that the abandonment is to be consummated by October 22, 2010. This letter is to notify the Board that BNSF is consummating the abandonment of this line, effective as of the date of this letter.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by date-stamping the enclosed copy of this letter and returning it to me in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope. Ten (10) additional copies of this letter are enclosed for the Board’s use and distribution.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (817) 352-3394.

Sincerely,

  
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